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# Food and Chemical Toxicology

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## Letter to the Editor

Dear Dr. Hayes

I am writing to ask that the paper by Séralini et al. be retracted for the several reasons:

- Séralini's allegations of negative impacts on rat health as a result of eating biotech corn and glyphosate have been refuted by numerous studies, including long-term feeding studies, in the peer-reviewed scientific literature.
  - A 2008 two-year rat feeding study by Sakamoto et al. found that biotech soybeans pose no health risks.
  - A 2012 assessment by Snell et al. reviewed 12 long-term feeding studies of biotech maize, potato, soybean, rice, and triticale and found that biotech crops are nutritionally equivalent to their conventional counterparts and can be safely used in food and feed.
- Previous peer-reviewed rat feeding studies using the same products (NK603 and Roundup) have not found any negative food safety impacts.
- Similar feeding studies conducted by Séralini in the past have been found to be deficient in their analysis by the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA), as well as the Public Research and Regulation Initiative (PRRI).

In addition, since the paper's publication, numerous scientists worldwide, including myself, immediately called into question the paper's data, which appears to be misleading and fundamentally flawed. It does not become the quality of a journal such as *Food and Chemical Toxicology* to publish such poor work.

Sincerely,  
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